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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner : Davis D. Hwu  
Group : 3752  
Applicants : Scott Franson et al.  
Serial No. : 09/854,997  
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For : COMPACT PENDANT SPRINKLER HEAD  
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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action mailed October 30, 2002, having a three month period of response ending January 30, 2003, Applicants submit a Petition and Fee for a one month Extension of Time and wish to amend their application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 29 and 35-38. Please amend Claims 3, 6-8, 10, 13, 17, 30, and 31 as follows:

## 3. (Amended)

A sprinkler head for a fire extinguishing system comprising:

a sprinkler body having an orifice, said orifice defining an inlet, and an outlet;

a body extension attached to said sprinkler body and having an extending section extending beyond said outlet of said sprinkler body;

a retaining member positioned beyond said outlet and within said body extension, said retaining member mounted to be movable relative to said body extension and said sprinkler body;

a deflector movable between an activated position and a storage position within said body extension and having at least one support arm projecting therefrom, said retaining member coupled to said at least one support arm at a fixed distance from said retaining member, said support arm movably disposed within said body extension, wherein said deflector and said retaining member are positioned within said body extension when in said storage position;